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do what must be done . . . We stand ready and waiting. God Bless you and the U.S.A.”

Terry understands the moral obligation that has compelled our extraordinary multinational coalition to make this stand in the Gulf. To look this international terrorist straight in the eye and say: no concessions. To proclaim for now and for the future: no compromises. To bear witness by our presence to the fact that aggression will not be rewarded.

Terry waits thousands of miles from the White House, yet we share the same thoughts. We desperately want peace. But we know that to reward aggression would be to end the promise of our new world order. To reward aggression would be to destroy the United Nations’ promise as international peacekeeper. To reward aggression would be to condone the acts of those who would desecrate the promise of human life itself. And we will do none of this. There are times in life when we confront values worth fighting for. This is one such time.

Each day that passes means another day for Iraq’s forces to dig deeper into their stolen land. Another day Saddam Hussein can work toward building his nuclear arsenal and perfecting his chemical and biological weapons capability. Another day of

atrocities for Amnesty International to document. Another day of international out-laws, instead of international law.

I ask you to think about the economic devastation that Saddam Hussein would continue to wreak on the world’s emerging democracies if he were in control of one-fifth of the world’s oil reserves—and to reflect on the terrible threat that a Saddam Hussein armed with weapons of mass destruction already poses to human life and to the future of all nations.

Together, as an America united against these horrors, we can, with our coalition partners, assure that this aggression is stopped and the principles on which this nation and the rest of the civilized world are founded are preserved.

And so let us remember and support Terry Hatfield, all our fine service men and women, as they stand ready on the frontier of freedom, willing to do their duty and do it well. They deserve our complete and enthusiastic support—and lasting gratitude.

Note: This letter was sent to 460 college newspapers on January 9, and it was released by the Office of the Press Secretary on January 10. The letter referred to President Saddam Hussein of Iraq.

Appointment of Raymond Ebeling as a Member of the Advisory Commission on Conferences in Ocean Shipping

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The President today announced his intention to appoint Raymond Ebeling, of New Jersey, to be a member of the Advisory Commission on Conferences in Ocean Shipping. This is a new position.

Currently Mr. Ebeling serves as executive vice president for Wallenius Motorships, Inc., in Woodcliff Lake, NJ. Prior to this Mr. Ebeling served as vice president for

pricing and marketing for the Atlantic division of Sea-Land Service, Inc., 1986–1990.

Mr. Ebeling graduated from Bowdoin College (B.A., 1965) and Seattle University (M.B.A., 1969). He was born November 21, 1943, in Framingham, MA. Mr. Ebeling is married, has four children, and resides in Colts Neck, NJ.